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SECURITIES CLASS ACTION SERVICES



The SCAS 50 for 2003

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1	Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach	\$2,111,824,250	65	\$32,489,604
2	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann	\$950,250,000	9	\$105,583,333
3	Grant & Eisenhofer	\$610,500,000	3	\$203,500,000
4	Goodkind Labaton Rudoff & Sucharow	\$551,000,000	3	\$183,666,667
5	Barrack, Rodos & Bacine	\$390,150,000	5	\$78,030,000
6	Entwistle & Cappucci	\$310,750,000	3	\$103,583,333
7	Chitwood & Harley	\$303,250,000	3	\$101,083,333
8	Berger & Montague	\$272,343,000	14	\$19,453,071
9	Wolf Haldenstein Alder Freeman & Herz	\$218,876,000	8	\$24,852,889
10	Wolf Popper	\$209,300,000	6	\$34,883,333
11	Stull Stull Brody	\$199,651,000	13	\$15,357,769
12	Schiffman & Barroway	\$170,460,000	9	\$18,940,000
13	Waite, Schneider, Bayless & Chesley	\$140,000,000	2	\$70,000,000
14	Berman DeValerio Pease Tabacco Burt & Pucillo	\$103,084,000	11	\$9,371,273
15	Scott & Scott	\$87,800,000	2	\$43,900,000
16	Chimicles & Tikellis	\$83,000,000	1	\$83,000,000
17	Garwin Bronzaft Gerstein & Fisher	\$77,500,000	1	\$77,500,000
18	Kirby McInerney & Squire	\$77,335,000	9	\$8,592,778
19	Finkelstein & Krinsk	\$66,710,000	4	\$16,677,500
20	Wechsler Harwood LLP	\$64,750,000	5	\$12,950,000
21	Pomerantz Haudek Block Grossman & Gross	\$62,775,000	7	\$8,967,857
22	Schatz & Nobel	\$56,525,000	4	\$14,131,250
23	Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz	\$44,800,000	8	\$5,600,000
24	Weiss & Yourman	\$43,995,000	11	\$3,999,545
25	Kaplan Fox	\$40,150,000	5	\$8,030,000
26	Zwerling Schachter & Zwerling	\$40,000,000	1	\$40,000,000
27	Abbey Gardy	\$39,358,000	5	\$7,871,600
28	Shalov Stone & Bonner	\$35,940,000	2	\$17,970,000

29	Strauss & Troy	\$30,000,000	1	\$30,000,000
30	Anderson & Karrenberg	\$29,950,000	1	\$29,950,000
31	Hulett Harper Stewart	\$29,950,000	1	\$29,950,000
32	Stanley Mandel & Iola	\$29,950,000	2	\$14,975,000
33	Lowey Dannenberg Bemporad & Selinger	\$28,791,767	3	\$9,597,256
34	Spector Roseman & Kodroff	\$27,983,000	2	\$13,991,500
35	Chestnut & Cambronne	\$25,650,000	2	\$12,825,000
36	Cauley Geller	\$25,275,000	6	\$4,212,500
37	Gold Bennett Cera & Sidener LLP	\$25,000,000	1	\$25,000,000
38	Glancy & Binkow	\$22,725,000	5	\$4,545,000
39	Shapiro Professional Association	\$20,000,000	1	\$20,000,000
40	Law Offices of Bernard M. Gross	\$15,900,000	2	\$7,950,000
41	Gilman & Pastor	\$13,840,000	2	\$6,920,000
42	Miller Shea P.C.	\$12,680,000	1	\$12,680,000
43	Sirota & Sirota	\$12,500,000	2	\$6,250,000
44	Heins Mills & Olson PLC	\$12,450,000	1	\$12,450,000
45	Mansfield & Tanick	\$12,450,000	1	\$12,450,000
46	Johnson & Perkinson	\$12,026,000	1	\$12,026,000
47	Cohen Milstein Hausfeld & Toll	\$11,193,000	3	\$3,731,000
48	Klafter & Olsen LLP	\$11,100,000	1	\$11,100,000
49	Abraham, Fruchter & Twersky	\$10,500,000	1	\$10,500,000
50	Dyer & Shuman	\$9,850,000	1	\$9,850,000

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The top 5 law firms in terms of highest average settlement amount (minimum of five settlements) are as follows below:

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1	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann	\$3,466,135,000	12	\$288,844,583
2	Barrack, Rodos & Bacine	\$2,888,000,000	4	\$722,000,000
3	Milberg Weiss Bershad & Schulman	\$900,202,500	43	\$20,934,942
4	Chitwood & Harley	\$583,190,000	8	\$72,898,750
5	Berman DeValerio Pease Tabacco Burt & Pucillo	\$578,550,000	10	\$57,855,000
6	Grant & Eisenhower	\$568,500,000	3	\$189,500,000
7	Stull, Stull & Brody	\$536,237,000	11	\$48,748,818
8	Abbey Gardy	\$525,250,000	9	\$58,361,111
9	Green Schaff & Jacobson	\$490,000,000	1	\$490,000,000
10	Entwistle & Capucci	\$300,000,000	1	\$300,000,000
11	Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins	\$298,250,000	14	\$21,303,571
12	Schiffman & Barroway	\$250,762,500	21	\$11,941,071
13	Shalov Stone & Bonner	\$147,555,000	5	\$29,511,000
14	Cauley Bowman Carney & Williams	\$119,000,000	2	\$59,500,000
15	Berger & Montague	\$91,501,717	13	\$7,038,594
16	Girard Gibbs & De Bartolomeo	\$84,850,000	1	\$84,850,000
17	Johnson & Perkinson	\$84,850,000	1	\$84,850,000
18	Wechsler Harwood	\$83,200,000	4	\$20,800,000
19	Schwartz, Junell, Greenberg & Oathout	\$65,000,000	1	\$65,000,000
20	Schoengold Sporn Laitman & Lometti	\$43,824,500	3	\$14,608,167
21	Scott & Scott	\$40,190,000	1	\$40,190,000
22	Gold Bennett Cera & Sidener	\$39,650,000	3	\$13,216,667
23	Kirby, McInerney & Squire	\$38,550,000	3	\$12,850,000
24	Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz	\$37,175,000	5	\$7,435,000
25	Hagens Berman	\$35,485,000	2	\$17,742,500
26	Weiss & Yourman	\$34,917,500	8	\$4,364,688
27	Thelen Reid & Priest	\$32,000,000	1	\$32,000,000
28	Pomerantz Haudek Block Grossman & Gross	\$30,475,000	3	\$10,158,333
29	Cauley Geller Bowman & Rudman	\$30,000,000	2	\$15,000,000
30	Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer	\$27,455,000	4	\$6,863,750
31	Glancy Binkow & Goldberg	\$26,300,000	3	\$8,766,667
32	Rabin, Murray & Frank	\$23,225,000	3	\$7,741,667
33	Law Offices of Bernard M. Gross	\$20,000,000	2	\$10,000,000
34	Klafter & Olsen	\$19,750,000	2	\$9,875,000
35	Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz	\$15,125,000	3	\$5,041,667
36	Schatz & Nobel	\$8,792,500	2	\$4,396,250
37	Law Offices of George Donaldson	\$8,350,000	1	\$8,350,000

38	Chimicles & Tikellis	\$6,250,000	1	\$6,250,000
39	Goodkind Labaton Rudoff & Sucharow	\$6,250,000	1	\$6,250,000
40	Lowey Dannenberg Bemporad & Selinger	\$6,203,750	2	\$3,101,875
41	Cohen, Milstein, Hausfeld & Toll	\$3,500,000	1	\$3,500,000
42	Gambrell & Stolz	\$3,000,000	1	\$3,000,000
43	Lasky & Rifkind	\$3,000,000	2	\$1,500,000
44	Rosenthal, Monhait, Gross & Goddess	\$2,873,947	3	\$957,982
45	Lockridge Grindal Nauen	\$2,675,000	2	\$1,337,500
46	J. Bruce Miller Law Group	\$2,650,000	1	\$2,650,000
47	Sales, Tillman & Wallbaum	\$2,650,000	1	\$2,650,000
48	Geller Rudman	\$2,544,500	2	\$1,272,250
49	Cotchett, Pitre, Simon & McCarthy	\$2,500,000	1	\$2,500,000
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5	Grant & Eisenhofer	\$322,372,420	6	\$53,728,737
6	Schiffman & Barroway	\$265,995,000	14	\$18,999,643
7	Berger & Montague, P.C.	\$229,300,000	10	\$22,930,000
8	Pomerantz Haudek Block Grossman & Gross	\$226,250,000	3	\$75,416,667
9	Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz LLP	\$161,900,000	7	\$23,128,571
10	Labaton Sucharow & Rudoff LLP	\$152,850,000	9	\$16,983,333
11	Heins Mills & Olson PLC	\$150,000,000	1	\$150,000,000
12	Provost & Umphrey	\$149,750,000	1	\$149,750,000
13	Susman, Watkins & Wylie	\$120,000,000	1	\$120,000,000
14	Weiss & Lurie	\$107,650,000	6	\$17,941,667
15	Susman Godfrey	\$93,950,000	1	\$93,950,000
16	Scott & Scott	\$92,750,000	3	\$30,916,667
17	Climaco, Lefkowitz, Peca, Wilcox & Garofoli, Co., LPA	\$92,400,000	1	\$92,400,000
18	Cotchett Pitre Simon & McCarthy	\$90,606,216	3	\$30,202,072
19	Chestnut & Cambronne	\$80,000,000	1	\$80,000,000
20	Cauley Bowman Carney & Williams	\$75,170,000	10	\$7,517,000
21	Schoengold Sporn Laitman & Lometti, P.C.	\$66,600,000	2	\$33,300,000
22	Robbins Umeda & Fink	\$63,500,000	2	\$31,750,000
23	Kirby McInerney & Squire	\$59,000,000	2	\$29,500,000
24	Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz	\$51,035,000	7	\$7,290,714
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26	Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer	\$43,650,000	5	\$8,730,000
27	Hagens Berman Sobol Shapiro	\$39,000,000	1	\$39,000,000
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38	Shalov Stone & Bonner	\$21,371,393	3	\$7,123,798
39	Abbey Spanier Rodd Abrams & Paradis, LLP	\$16,500,000	1	\$16,500,000
40	Rosenthal Monhait Gross & Goddess	\$16,350,000	3	\$5,450,000
41	Stull Stull & Brody	\$15,250,000	4	\$3,812,500
42	Palmer & Dodge	\$13,934,649	1	\$13,934,649
43	Robinson Brog Leinwand Reich Gnovesse & Gluck, P.C.	\$13,934,649	1	\$13,934,649
44	Weiss & Associates, P.C.	\$13,934,649	1	\$13,934,649
45	Federman & Sherwood	\$12,205,000	4	\$3,051,250
46	Vianale & Vianale	\$12,032,500	4	\$3,008,125
47	Nix, Patterson, & Roach LLP	\$11,000,000	1	\$11,000,000
48	Gene Mesh & Associates	\$7,500,000	1	\$7,500,000
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3	Heins Mills & Olson PLC	\$2,500,000,000	1	\$2,500,000,000
4	Milberg Weiss Bershad LLP	\$1,604,608,808	22	\$72,936,764
5	Entwistle & Cappucci	\$1,100,000,000	1	\$1,100,000,000
6	Barrack, Rodos & Bacine	\$960,000,000	1	\$960,000,000
7	Kirby McInerney & Squire	\$650,900,000	5	\$130,180,000
8	Abbey Spanier Rodd Abrams & Paradis	\$590,925,000	8	\$73,865,625
9	Barrett & Weber	\$410,000,000	1	\$410,000,000
9	Waite, Schneider, Bayless & Chesley	\$410,000,000	1	\$410,000,000
11	Schiffirin, Barroway, Topaz & Kessler, LLP	\$350,650,000	12	\$29,220,833
12	Labaton Sucharow & Rudoff LLP	\$243,950,000	7	\$34,850,000
13	Lite, DePalma, Greenberg & Rivas	\$216,500,000	1	\$216,500,000
14	Lowenstein Sandler	\$137,500,000	1	\$137,500,000
15	Berman DeValerio Pease Tobacco Burt & Pucillo	\$119,753,491	4	\$29,938,373
16	Stull Stull & Brody	\$106,692,922	3	\$35,564,307
17	Wolf Haldenstein Adler Freeman & Herz	\$99,750,000	6	\$16,625,000
18	Grant & Eisenhofer	\$99,500,524	2	\$49,750,262
19	Levin Papantonio Thomas Mitchell Echsner and Proctor	\$99,250,000	1	\$99,250,000
20	Weiss & Lurie	\$94,100,000	6	\$15,683,333
21	Cohen Milstein Hausfeld & Toll	\$80,750,000	7	\$11,535,714
22	Pomerantz Haudek Block Grossman & Gross	\$77,850,000	2	\$38,925,000
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26	Chimicles & Tikellis	\$52,500,000	2	\$26,250,000
27	Saunders & Doyle	\$50,000,000	1	\$50,000,000
27	Tighe Patton Armstrong Teasdale, LLP	\$50,000,000	1	\$50,000,000
29	Yourman Alexander & Parekh LLP	\$49,375,000	3	\$16,458,333
30	Berger & Montague, P.C.	\$44,229,539	8	\$5,528,692
31	Schoengold Sporn Laitman & Lometti, P.C.	\$40,400,000	2	\$20,200,000
32	Weiss & Yourman	\$39,900,000	1	\$39,900,000
33	Strauss & Troy LPA	\$36,000,000	1	\$36,000,000
34	Chitwood Harley Harnes LLP	\$35,000,000	1	\$35,000,000
35	Schatz & Nobel	\$32,750,000	1	\$32,750,000
36	Gardere Wynne Sewell	\$32,500,000	1	\$32,500,000

36	The Wynne Law Firm	\$32,500,000	1	\$32,500,000
38	Ackerman, Link & Sartory, P.A.	\$30,000,000	1	\$30,000,000
39	Faruqi & Faruqi	\$29,700,000	2	\$14,850,000
40	Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer	\$19,500,000	2	\$9,750,000
41	Law Office of Bernard M. Gross	\$17,550,000	2	\$8,775,000
42	Cotchett Pitre & McCarthy	\$17,500,000	1	\$17,500,000
43	Shapiro Haber & Urmey	\$13,000,000	3	\$4,333,333
44	Bonnett Fairbourn Friedman & Balint	\$12,503,491	1	\$12,503,491
45	Finkelstein Thompson LLP	\$11,650,000	4	\$2,912,500
46	Klafter & Olsen LLP	\$10,500,000	1	\$10,500,000
47	Bagnell & Eason, LLP	\$9,350,000	1	\$9,350,000
47	McGowan Hood Felder & Johnson	\$9,350,000	1	\$9,350,000
49	Green Welling LLP	\$9,125,000	1	\$9,125,000
50	Johnson & Perkinson	\$8,500,000	1	\$8,500,000

Snapshot: Average Settlement Amount

The top 5 law firms ranked by highest average settlement amount (minimum of five settlements) are as follows:

RANK	SCAS 50 RANK	LAW FIRM	SETTLEMENT TOTAL	# OF SETTLEMENTS	AVERAGE
1	2	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann	\$2,634,765,298	9	\$292,751,700
2	1	Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP	\$7,307,050,000	30	\$243,568,333
3	7	Kirby McInerney & Squire	\$650,900,000	5	\$130,180,000
4	8	Abbey Spanier Rodd Abrams & Paradis	\$590,925,000	8	\$73,865,625
5	4	Milberg Weiss Bershad LLP	\$1,604,608,808	22	\$72,936,764

Snapshot: Number of Settlements

The top 5 law firms ranked by total number of final settlements are as follows:

RANK	SCAS 50 RANK	LAW FIRM	SETTLEMENT TOTAL	# OF SETTLEMENTS	AVERAGE
1	1	Lerach Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP	\$7,307,050,000	30	\$243,568,333
2	4	Milberg Weiss Bershad LLP	\$1,604,608,808	22	\$72,936,764
3	11	Schiffman, Barroway, Topaz & Kessler, LLP	\$350,650,000	12	\$29,220,833
4	2	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann	\$2,634,765,298	9	\$292,751,700
5	8	Abbey Spanier Rodd Abrams & Paradis	\$590,925,000	8	\$73,865,625

Methodology

We created the SCAS 50 using data from the SCAS database, which tracks, among many other things, federal and state shareholder class actions. We also contacted each law firm to seek confirmation of the settlement data pertaining to that firm. The SCAS 50 does not include data on ERISA or derivative lawsuits.

The SCAS 50 reflects only those final settlements that resulted in the creation of a settlement fund on behalf of shareholders. Cases which resulted in no settlement fund being created, but instead had only non-monetary settlement terms (such as corporate governance changes, changes in the terms of a merger, etc.) are not included. Further information on such settlements can be found in the SCAS database.

The SCAS 50 credits law firms that served as lead or co-lead counsel in a case with the entire settlement fund, regardless of how many other firms served as lead or co-lead counsel in the case. Thus, for a settlement of \$1,000,000 dollars where there were two lead counsel, the SCAS 50 credits both law firms with a \$1,000,000 settlement rather than dividing the settlement fund in half. For purposes of this report, law firms are considered to be lead or co-lead counsel if they are identified as such in the notice of settlement distributed to shareholders.

Terminology

SETTLEMENT TOTAL is the total dollar value of all final settlements occurring in 2006 in which the law firm served as lead or co-lead counsel, and where a settlement fund resulted.

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AVERAGE is the SETTLEMENT TOTAL divided by the # of SETTLEMENTS.

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